

House File 663 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to taking the fingerprints of a child by a
2 governmental unit.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 2244YH 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 726.23, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
1 2 2007, is amended to read as follows:
1 3 a. A parent or guardian has given written authorization
1 4 for the taking of the fingerprints for use in the future in
1 5 case the child becomes a runaway or a missing child. Only one
1 6 set of prints shall be taken and the completed fingerprint
1 7 cards and written authorizations shall be given to the parent
1 8 or guardian. The fingerprints, written authorizations for
1 9 fingerprinting, or notice of the fingerprints' existence shall
1 10 not be recorded, stored, or kept in any manner by a law
1 11 enforcement agency, except as provided in this subchapter or
1 12 except at the request of the parent or guardian if the child
1 13 becomes a runaway or a missing child. When the child is
1 14 located or the case is otherwise disposed of, the fingerprint
1 15 cards shall be returned to the parents or guardian.
1 16 Nothing in this paragraph "a" shall be construed to
1 17 prohibit a governmental unit from taking the fingerprints of a
1 18 child at the Iowa state fair or a county or district fair as
1 19 defined in section 174.1 as long as the governmental unit
1 20 complies with the requirements of this paragraph "a".

1 21 EXPLANATION

1 22 This bill relates to taking the fingerprints of a child by
1 23 a governmental unit.
1 24 The bill specifies the completed fingerprint cards and
1 25 written authorizations shall be given to the parent or
1 26 guardian and the existence of the fingerprints or written
1 27 authorizations shall not become a record of the governmental
1 28 unit, unless otherwise specified in Code section 726.23,
1 29 subsection 2, or upon the request of the parent or guardian.
1 30 The bill specifies a governmental unit shall not be
1 31 prohibited from taking the fingerprints of a child at the Iowa
1 32 state fair or a county or district fair as defined in Code
1 33 section 174.1 as long as the governmental unit complies with
1 34 the requirements of Code section 726.23, subsection 2,
1 35 paragraph "a", as amended by the bill.
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